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Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with paragraph 6 of its terms of reference, contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) of 14 May 1976, the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning the economic, social and human rights programmes of the United Nations system, including the reports dealing with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), shall be examined by the Committee for Programme and Coordination, which shall report thereon to the Council and the General Assembly.

2. In accordance with paragraphs 4 (d) and (e) of article 11 of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, when a report concerns only one organization, the report and the comments of the executive head thereon shall be transmitted to the competent organ of that organization not later than three months after receipt of the report for consideration at the next meeting of the competent organ and when a report concerns more than one organization, the report, together with the joint comments and any comments of the respective heads on the matters that concern their particular organization, shall be ready for submission to the competent organs of the organizations not later than six months after receipt of the Unit's report for consideration at the next meeting of the competent organs concerned.

3. At its organizational session, the Committee is invited to select, from the reports listed below, the report or reports of the Joint Inspection Unit it would wish to consider at its forty-second session under agenda item 6:

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on strengthening the investigations function in United Nations system organizations (A/56/282) and the comments of the

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Secretary-General and of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon (A/56/282/Add.1);

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on United Nations system support for science and technology in Latin America and the Caribbean (A/56/370) and the comments of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon (A/56/370/Add.1).